

14 April '64

On the night of 26 October '62 an "attack" on an unidentified Soviet camp was in progress. The nationality of the attacking forces was not mentioned. This attack was possibly directed against the Los Angeles SAM site adjacent to the Banes site and believed to be in direct communication with them. During this time M (Banes commander) informed X at Santiago de Cuba that he was "advancing" with his unit. Later M indicated that three persons may have died during his "advance" and that 15 others were wounded. Subsequent Discussions mentioned requirements for surgeons and the dispatch of seven doctors. M ultimately requested that a report of the whole affair be sent to V; a later conversation he was to report to V in person the following morning. The US recon mission was shot down the morning after the incident, presumably by the Los Angeles SAM site.

V: Col. General of Aviation Victor Davidkow, probably SFC commander till departure 31 August '63

M: "I have a suspicion that there has been an attack"....."one of our comrades was shot and wounded." Mentioned a vehicle had overturned and that he was "advancing" with his unit. Later, MAL'TSEV indicated "3 persons" may have died during his "advance," and 15 others wounded. Needed two surgeons. 7 doctors sent. V wanted M to report to him in person "tomorrow morning" - "at what time?"

(Thinks attack was not Banes cruise missile site - though can't exclude - because M was "advancing." Nothing on attackers - could be Castro troops. Thinks attack over by morning, but can't exclude SAM site still held by morning. What indications site was held at all? That prisoners were taken? (CIA note) When was insurgent attack reported at time? Any report on Castro surrounding a site with troops?